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NEW COLOR DESIGNATION FOR ORANGES

Legislation to change color regulation on navel oranges in Central California has been introduced into the state legislature now in session in Sacramento.

The proposed change in the state agricultural code, section 795.1, reads: "Oranges, except bloods, tangerines and mandarines, shall not be considered mature unless (a) the juice contains soluble solids equal to or in excess of eight parts to every part of acid contained in the juice (the acidity of the juice to be calculated as citric acid without water of crystallization,) and unless,

"(b) Ninety per cent or more of the oranges in any lot, by count, before picking have attained, on at least one-fourth of the fruit surface, at least a minimum characteristic orange color, as indicated by Color Plate No. 13 L 2 in 'Dictionary of Color', Maerz and Paul, first edition, 1930.

"No orange may be accelerated in color unless the juice contains soluble solids equal to or in excess of eight parts to every part of acid contained in the juice, (the acidity of the juice to be calculated as citric acid without water of crystallization.) The tolerances allowed by Section 795 shall not apply to the provisions of this section when determining whether any lot of oranges complies with the maturity standard."

Provision concerning juice, commonly referred to by citrus growers as the "test", is not changed by the proposed legislation. The law would, however, change the percentage of color that a navel orange must attain before it could be picked.

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REECE NAMED CLOUD SEEDING CORP. SECRETARY

Bill Reece, Porterville rancher and a member of The Farm Tribune staff, has been named secretary of the Southern Sierra corporation, a non-profit organization that is handling cloud seeding in eastern Tulare county.



Mr. Reece, who replaces Ralph Jones, can be reached at 1837 Indiana; phone Porterville, 2094-W. He states that the corporation plans to continue its activities in cloud seeding to produce more rainfall — a practice that has proved effective in five years of operation in Tulare county.



FLOYD BRIGGS, who will be installed as commander, Porterville Commandery No. 67, Knights Templar, at ceremonies to be held Saturday evening, January 15, at the Masonic Temple in Porterville. (Hammond Photo)

Floyd Briggs To Be Seated By Knights Templar

Floyd Briggs will be installed as commander of Porterville Commandery No. 67, Knights Templar, at a ceremony to be held Saturday evening, 8:00 o'clock, at the Masonic Temple in Porterville.

Other officers are: Ernest Ennerson, generalissimo; George Tannlund, captain general; Roland Conklin, recorder; Myron Tobias, treasurer; the Rev. Charles Brandon, prelate.

Lawrence Staab, senior warden; Cline Buckley, junior warden; Clyde Simpson, standard bearer; Elmer Hubbell, sword bearer; August Wilcox, warden; Roy Witt, sentinel.

Melvin Frasher, first guard; Clyde Hammond, second guard and Mac Williams, third guard.

Families and friends of organization members are invited to attend the ceremony.

CHAMP GROSE GETS NEW JOB WITH ALBERS

Champ Grose, for two years manager of Porterville Feed and Seed, will leave the last of January to accept a new position as staff assistant in charge of merchandising, feeds division of Albers Milling company. He will be located in the Carnation building, Los Angeles. Replacing Mr. Grose in Porterville will be Dick Clark, from Napa Valley.

CARLOAD OF CITRUS FOR POLIO FIGHT

Citrus growers of southeastern Tulare county are this week making their contribution to the March of Dimes campaign — a carload of citrus that will be sold on the New York auction the latter part of January.

The car will be loaded, Friday, at the Porterville Citrus association house, Olive and E streets; citrus growers of the community are asked to be on hand at the packing house, Friday, at 1:30 p.m., to pose for publicity pictures before the car is moved out.

Sunkist growers of the district are contributing oranges through the following citrus houses: Baird Neece corporation, Grand View Heights Citrus association, Magnolia Citrus association, Porterville Citrus association, Randolph Marketing company.

Richgrove-Jasmine Citrus association; Strathmore Cooperative association; Strathmore Packing House company; Sunflower Citrus Growers, Sunland Packing House company, Terra Bella Citrus association, Tule River Citrus association and Tulare County Lemon and Grapefruit association.

The carload will consist of 1,048 cartons of fruit, mostly Navel oranges but with some lemons. The car will be handled through facilities.

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March Of Dimes Dinner Sunday At Springville

Lions club members of the Springville community will sponsor a March of Dimes dinner in the Veterans' Memorial building next Sunday, January 16, from 12:00 noon until 7:30 p.m. All proceeds will go toward the fight against polio; the public is invited.

The event will be the third annual dinner of this type sponsored by the club. All Lions of Springville are serving on the committee.

As an added feature, a ladies' hand-tooled shoulder purse will be given away during the day. The purse was made and donated by George Meyer, a member of the Springville Lions club.

TERRA BELLA BANQUET JAN. 27

Annual banquet of the Terra Bella chamber of commerce will be held the evening of January 27 in the Terra Bella Presbyterian church, with women of the church preparing the dinner. General chairman of the event is Howard McNeill.



F. R. WILCOX, assistant general manager and treasurer of Sunkist Growers, Inc., who will be the principal speaker at annual banquet of the Porterville chamber of commerce, February 3, in the Porterville high school cafeteria. Tickets are now on sale for the event.

F. R. Wilcox Chamber Speaker; Tickets On Sale

Tickets are now on sale for annual banquet of the Porterville chamber of commerce, February 3, in the Porterville high school cafeteria, with F. R. Wilcox, assistant general manager and treasurer of Sunkist Growers, Inc., as speaker of the evening.

C. W. Easterbrook will serve as master of ceremonies; awards will be presented to the outstanding man, outstanding woman, top farm organization and outstanding business firm of the community during 1954.

Tickets are available in Porterville at the chamber of commerce office and the office of the Tulare County Fruit Growers Exchange, as well as from chamber directors and officers. In other southeastern Tulare county communities, tickets can be obtained from Sterling Ensign, Terra Bella; Ted Stancliff, Springville; Louis Morton, Strathmore, and Mrs. Hugh Monroe, Woodville.

The speaker, Mr. Wilcox, is a

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USE OF MONEY FROM 1950 BOND ISSUE OUTLINED BY HIGH SCHOOL OFFICIALS AS INFORMATION RELATING TO FEB. 8 VOTE

What happened to bond money in the amount of \$1,420,000 that was voted in 1950 for use by Porterville high school and college?

Information on this subject is now being called to public attention by officials of the school as pertinent to the question of need for another bond issue that will go before the voters on February 8.

A general breakdown shows that for projects financed with 1950 bond money, \$314,311.72 went for permanent home economics, agricultural science and general classrooms; \$493,861.54 for a physical education and athletic plant; \$191,384.74 for construction of temporary classrooms; \$647.96 for demolition of the old high school building, following the 1951 earthquake and \$456,168.76 for a new college site and plant.

Total comes to \$1,456,374.72, an amount actually \$36,374.72 greater than the bond issue.

A more detailed breakdown

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Jackson Mead On School Board

Jackson Mead was this week appointed to the board of trustees of Porterville union high school and college to succeed Ray Longley, who recently resigned to become Tulare county supervisor from the fifth district.

IRRIGATION DISTRICTS WILL ELECT

Directors, and other officials, of irrigation districts throughout southeastern Tulare county will be voted on at elections that will be held Wednesday, February 2.

In the Lower Tule River Irrigation district, terms of William Silveira and Harrington Brown Jr. will expire; both men will seek reelection.

In the Saucelito district, Everett Cloer and Paul Hudson will run for reelection; Steve Ferrero has filed against Mr. Hudson.

In the Vandalla district, Ben Althouse, Walter Herbage and Martin Michaelis will seek reelection. H. C. Pegram will be a candidate for reelection as treasurer-collector-assessor.

In the Porterville district, terms of Ira Anthony and Maurice Henderson expire; Mr. Henderson will seek reelection; it is understood Mr. Anthony will not. Petition has been filed for Allen Sanborn.

In the Terra Bella district, terms of Clarence Gordon and Charles Hunting expire. Mr. Hunting has filed for reelection.

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Cattlemen Consign To Red Bluff Sale

Consignment from the Aceh ranch of F. R. and Evelyn Farnsworth will go to the famous Red Bluff bull sale that is slated for Red Bluff, February 3, 4 and 5. The sale, started in 1942, is now the largest in the nation selling graded and inspected range bulls.

This year 250 Horned Herefords, 30 Polled Herefords, 60 Shorthorns and 23 Angus will be offered. A 1,400 pound registered Hereford bull will be auctioned for the March of Dimes; the bull is being donated by Winterton Bros. of Kamas, Utah.

The sale features the University of California record-of-performance grading program, under which each individual bull is given

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Agricultural Outlook For 1955 Subject Of Conference Set For February 1 At Sierra Vista School In Visalia

By Ralph L. Worrell
Farm Advisor

Speakers at a Tulare County Farm Outlook conference in Visalia on February 1, will emphasize the crop and livestock prospects for 1955, with the conference arranged by the University of California's Agricultural Extension service in order to assist rural people in meeting some of their current problems.

Today, perhaps more than ever before, farmers are wondering what the new year has in store for them. They realize that the outlook prospects for the crops and

livestock they are growing are determined not only by the production and marketing situation in their own immediate locality but also by what is happening elsewhere.

The farmer who finds the plantings of his usual field crops reduced by acreage allotments is searching for alternatives which offer possibilities of returning a profit. Crops not directly faced with allotments will be influenced by acreage diverted from allotted crops.

The outlook situation for poultry, fryers, eggs, turkeys, dairying,

beef cattle and swine are all affected by feed supplies and changes in market demand.

Fruit, grape, and nut growers are faced with new varieties, changes in consumer preference, expansion in use of frozen products. And many farmers who have not grown fruit before are wondering if they should consider entering this field of activity.

For farmers to make intelligent decisions on crop and livestock production programs in 1955, it is necessary to know and understand the major factors influencing these commodities.

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Irrigation Districts

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Milton Burtner has filed for Mr. Gordon's position; Mr. Gordon is not expected to run again. Ernie Thiesse will seek reelection as assessor-collector-treasurer.

In the Lindmore district, Frank Hill and Linn Harrison have filed for reelection; there has been no opposition indicated.

In the Lindsay-Strathmore district, S. A. Warson and William G. Koepf will run for reelection as directors; Harvey J. Hartig is a candidate for reelection as district assessor and George G. Cole is seeking reelection as collector.

Bill Of Rights Subject Of Women's Club Meeting Monday

The Bill of Rights will be the subject of a noon luncheon meeting of the Porterville Women's club, Monday, at the women's clubhouse in Porterville. Sheriff Sandy Robinson will show a motion picture on life in San Quentin prison.

A new circular, "Farm Shop Equipment, Its Usefulness on California Farms," is available without charge from the office of the Tulare county farm advisor, post office building, Visalia.

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OLD DAYS

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN PORTERVILLE FORMED IN 1907 AT KNUPP OFFICE

(Ed. Note — Following is the first in a series of articles, dealing with the history of the Porterville chamber of commerce, as written by Miss Ina Stiner "as part of Porterville history that one citizen, Wm. P. Bartlett, helped make. It could have been written from the point of view of a number of other citizens.")

By Miss Ina Stiner

On March 9, 1907, the Porterville chamber of commerce was organized. William Pitt Bartlett would naturally be one of the civic-minded citizens who started it; he was the manager of the flourishing magnesite industry in the Porterville area; but he was also to participate, through the chamber of commerce, in one of

his extra-special interests — that of promoting public parks.

Two similar organizations in Porterville had preceded the chamber of commerce: Thompson's Historical Atlas of Tulare county, published in 1892, states that a "Town Improved company" was organized in Porterville soon after the railroad came (1888) to advance the interests of the town. These persons were members: "Robert Baker, president; R. Porter Putnam, vice-president; E. Porter Dewey, secretary; and J. F. Goore; Wm. Thomas; Wm. Hall; Judge R. C. Redd; George Ducommun; John Wessman, and others, members.

"They proposed a system of sewers, and the laying of sidewalks, and to agitate the matter of building a new schoolhouse, and churches, and other public buildings. With their help streets were opened and graded, sewers and sidewalks made; and the town began to put on the appearance of a modern city."

This group was followed by the "Porterville Board of Trade." This

was the organization that in 1904-55 issued a little illustrated booklet called "Souvenir of Eastern Tulare County and Porterville", which was edited by Ernest N. White and Karl E. Ford, and printed by the Porterville Messenger Press of E. N. White's newspaper. The directors of the Porterville Board of Trade at that time were: H. C. Carr, president; H. F. Brey, vice-president; J. N. Larson; Chas. T. Bolting; H. A. Frame; V. D. Knupp; and Fred Ackerman.

On March 7, 1907 (according to the first book of minutes of the Porterville chamber of commerce) "Some businessmen and citizens of Porterville and vicinity met at the office of V. D. Knupp" (in the Pioneer Hotel building, NW corner of Main and Putnam streets) "to consider the forming of a body representative of the locality, by which to endeavor to foster the general interest, to develop the resources, and to upbuild Porterville and the district adjacent thereto in particular, and Tulare county in general."

(to be continued next week)

KITTIE KNIGHT IS SPEAKER

Kittie Knight told of her trip to the American Farm Bureau Federation convention in New York at a meeting of Associated Women of the Tulare County Farm Bureau, held yesterday in Visalia. The women toured the telephone company building in Visalia during the afternoon.

California Fresh Peach Advisory board is meeting in Fresno today to discuss various phases of the marketing season just completed.

Farm Tribune Ads Get Results

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By John



If this fine rain continues we're going to start selling water lilies. Might run a group of specials on lilies, tules, and swamp grass with a piece of sea weed thrown in if you order early. Be a swell item for people that overwater their plants.

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We mentioned mulching, which is scientific talk for dumping last year's leaves around your plants. Actually a good system as it gets rid of a lot of stuff you've had lying around since fall, yet saves water next summer.

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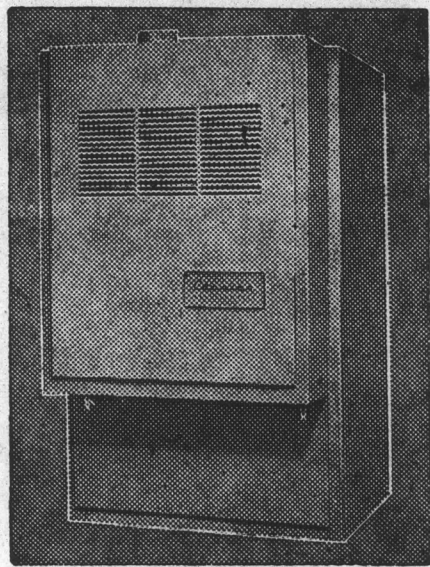
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By Walter Chamblin, Jr.
Vice Pres. Gov. Relations Div.
N. A. M.

Washington — For the third time since the turn of the century, the President of the United States finds himself facing a Congress controlled by the opposition party. Woodrow Wilson in 1913 and Harry S. Truman in 1946 were faced with the same predicament.

Both Wilson and Truman were buffeted rather severely by the hostile legislators. Mr. Eisenhower is hopeful of better treatment and already has taken steps looking to peaceful co-existence with the Democrats . . . at least in the field of foreign affairs.

But oldtimers at the Capitol privately think that considerable political fur will fly in the next two years as both parties concentrate more and more upon measures designed to bring victory in the presidential election of 1956.

Mr. Eisenhower has let it be known for some time that he will advocate retention of the corporate tax rate of 52 percent and a continuation of the present excise taxes on alcoholic beverages and other articles. In the business world it has been felt that the high rates should be permitted to come down this coming April.

which is provided for under present law.

Administration plans to revise Taft-Hartley also bother the world of business. Big union labor bosses already are concentrating forces to weaken Taft-Hartley. They are particularly interested in revising the provision which gives states the right-to-work laws. There are now some 17 states which have such statutes and the big union bosses intend to concentrate not only on the Congress but also on various state legislatures, most of which meet this year.

A number of friends of Taft-Hartley in Congress contend that such state laws are a blessing . . . rather than a restriction on the liberty of the employee . . . and that such state laws really restore to the employee the liberty of deciding for himself whether to join a union or not to join. But expect a heated Congressional battle over this phase of labor legislation.

Congress also will initiate many investigations of what the Eisenhower administration has been doing. Such investigations, of course, will be presented as in the public interest . . . but most of them will be designed for the political interest of the Democrats in 1956.

A big controversy appears to be building up with respect to the administration's military preparedness program, especially as it applies to cutting down on expenditures and starting a long-range reserve training program.

The attack on the defense program will be presented on the basis of serious concern that the nation's defense preparations are inadequate. But underneath the surface it is clear that the real design is to attack the manner in which the defense program has been built up. What rankles the New Dealers is the fact that the tremendous build-up has been achieved almost entirely through private investment rather than by

ORANGE MARKET SHOWS STRENGTH

Signs of a strengthening orange market were seen during the week ending January 8, following the customary lull that always follows the Christmas holiday season. Price of navel oranges sold in interstate channels held at an average level of \$3.30 f.o.b.

Prostate for the week ending January 15, was set at 800 cars for Central California; about 200 cars for "early maturity" in southern California and unlimited movement from Arizona.

RECORD SUPPLY OF FEED GRAINS

The 179 million tons of feed grains available for the current livestock feeding season ties the record supply available in 1950, the U. S. department of agriculture reports.

The total supply is made up of

large expenditure of taxpayers' money, subsidies, etc.

Private industry stepped up its rate of plant equipment expenditures to nearly \$28 billion in 1953, compared to \$19 billion in the Pre-Korean period. This is in contrast with World War II when government funds accounted for more than 70 per cent of the plant expansion. Large expansion in basic industries has materially increased the country's capacity to produce for peace and war.

The Accelerated Tax Amortization program has been a most effective aid in securing industry's participation in expanding the nation's capacity. All major fields of industry and utility services have participated with remarkable results.

With respect to the military, the total funds appropriated for military procurement and construction have aggregated approximately \$155 billion since Korea . . . of which (about \$92.9 billion have been delivered.

Finally, it should be remembered that, despite all the smoke and beclouding of the issue, the present occupant of the White House is thoroughly familiar with the military needs of the nation and is extraordinarily competent to determine how much money is needed to provide a more than adequate defense.

120 million tons of 1954-crop corn, oats, barley, and rye, plus a record carry-over of these grains, a large supply of by-products feeds and considerable quantities of other grains that may be used for feed.

PRICE SUPPORT LOAN DEADLINE IS JANUARY 31

Price support loans and purchase agreements on wheat, rye, rice, barley, oats, grain sarghums, and dry edible beans produced in 1954 must be completed not later than January 31, according to H. B. Keith, chairman, of the Tulare County Agricultural Stabilization

and Conservation committee. The closing date applies to farmer-owned warehouse-stored grain as well as to grain stored on farms.

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By BILL RODGERS

STARTING IN The Farm Tribune's "Old Days" this week is a history of the Porterville chamber of commerce, written by Miss Ina Stiner — a history that recounts the names and deeds of many community leaders of former years and points up the problems that faced the area in the past. . . . Miss Stiner states that in 1910 the chamber adopted as its slogan, "Porterville People Prosper," which calls to mind that about five or six years ago, directors of the Porterville chamber decided they needed a slogan for the community, so they staged a contest, with a cash prize of \$25.00 for the accepted suggestion. Winning slogan? You guessed it. "Porterville People Prosper."

TALKING TO farmers, Ezra Taft Benson, secretary of agriculture, says, "Government can and will play a part in helping agriculture adapt to new circumstances and conditions. By far the greater part of this job will be done, as it has in the past, by farmers themselves. It will be accomplished through the use of better breeds, feeds, seeds, and generally improved farming practices. It will come about in no small measure through research, education and market expansion, and through further reduction in the time lag between the discovery of new methods and techniques and their application in the field. Maximum progress will come only if agriculture is free, and farmers can make their own management decisions on their own farms with a very minimum of government regulation and control."

IN SPITE of all statements to the contrary, Porterville High School Coach Carl Elder (known in some circles as the flat-footed fox) will definitely appear in the lineup against the All-American Red Heads, those famous girl basketball players who will be in Porterville, February 2, to meet an all-star team of men faculty members from the high school, college and city elementary schools. . . . Elder, across whose brow the snow of many winters has already blown, will also be available to pose for pictures with any or all the Red Heads. (Picture plans are subject to change without notice after the Red Heads see Elder.) But be that as it may, Elder is ready (as ready as he'll ever be) and it should be worth the price of admission to see the old fox pick a rebound off the backboard, dribble down court, drive in for a fade-away, left-handed hook shot, and sink the old cassaba for two points. (What are we talking about? Elder couldn't do that even when he was

"MY THREE ANGELS" STARS GIG VELIE, FREELAND WILSON, BOB BELSHE IN BARN PRODUCTION THAT OPENS JANUARY 21

Christmas, besides being a month late, comes to the Barn Theater in a strange manner this season. It will be celebrated at a temperature of 104 degrees and, stranger yet, in the company of three murderers.

"My Three Angels", a three-act comedy by Sam and Bella Spewack, will bring crime and laughter together in close harmony with the help of Freeland Wilson, Gig Velie and Bob Belshe, who, as three convicts serving life sentences in French Guiana, turn into three angels.

They straighten out the troubled affairs of Monsieur and Madame Ducotel (Eldon Hunt and Greta Stewart) and their lovely daughter (Sally Talbot) when they are dispatched to the Ducotel home to repair the roof. With the help of a most unusual, non-talking character, they eliminate the sinister

a boy.) . . . But proceeds from the game go to the Porterville high school and college Parent-Teacher association for the organization's student welfare work, and other activities. Elder is president of the association, hence the sudden burst from athletic retirement, to give his all for the P.-T.A.

Uncle Henri (Don Button) and take care of the hardly more worthy Paul, (Blaine Graham) the villain's nephew. They also arrange a festive Christmas dinner complete with all the necessary ingredients.

Helen Lamb makes her first appearance at the Barn as the scatterbrained Madame Parole, and Leroy King, hold the reigns of the play directorially speaking. This will be Mr. King's first assignment as a director, although he has been active in the Barn Theater for some time.

"My Three Angels" will open at the Barn, Friday, January 21, and will run for three weekends.

LEMON PRICES SHOW INCREASE

California lemons hit a higher market during the week ending January 8, however, volume was down about 25 cars compared to the previous week.

For 175 cars of Sunkist lemons, price ran an average \$6.40 per box f.o.b., up 55 cents over the previous week. Prorate for this week is 250 cars, 10 less than last week.

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LOLA MONTES, who appeared last night at the Monache Theatre in Porterville with her Spanish dancers as a feature of the Porterville Community Concert association series.

PIGEON HUNTERS USE UP AMMUNITION

Estimate is that for every band-tailed pigeon killed during the season that ended December 31, hunters fired 17 shots. Reason for missed shots is that the pigeon is a speedster — capable of 60 miles an hour in level flight and even greater speed in a dive.

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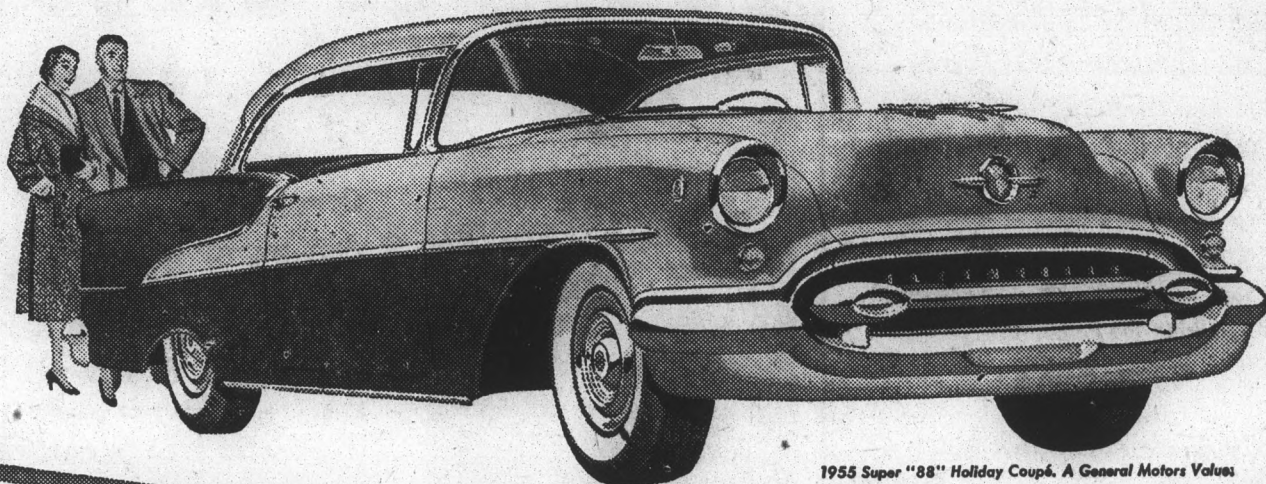
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Price support for oats, barley, rye and grain sorghums of the 1955 crops will be supported by Commodity Credit corporation loans and purchase agreements at 70 percent of parity as of November 15, 1954.

This announcement by the secretary of agriculture in terms of dollars and cents means the national average support available to growers for 1955 oats will be 61 cents per bushel; barley 94 cents; and rye, \$1.18; and grain sorghums, \$1.78 per CWT.

According to H. B. Keith, chairman of the Tulare County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee, local support rates based on these national averages will be announced at an early date. The loan rate to the farmer will be based on the grade and quality of the grain placed under loan.

Loans and purchase agreements will be available to growers on oats grading No. 3 or better, on barley grading No. 2 or better (except "mixed"), on rye grading No. 2 or better or No. 3 based on test weight only, and on grain sorghums grading No. 2 or better (except "mixed").

Loans and purchase agreements on any of the grains listed will be available to growers through the

county Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation office at any time from harvest through January 31, 1955. Loans on oats, barley, and rye mature April 30, 1956, and on grain sorghums, March 31, 1956, unless an earlier date is determined because of local storage conditions or early harvests.

Mr. Keith advises that support rates for the four commodities in 1953 and 1954 were based on 85 percent of parity, the highest rates in the five years the program has been in operation. At one time supports were down to 44 percent of parity for barley and 35 percent for grain sorghums.

Field Crops In California Hit Record Acreage

In spite of restricted cotton and wheat acreage, field crops in California during 1954 totalled 6,900,400 acres, a record high. Combined value of field crops was \$790,474,000.

Three crops, cotton, barley and alfalfa, accounted for 56 per cent of field-crop acreage; cotton accounted for 36 per cent of the total acreage and outranked all other crops in terms of dollar value.

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Sermon in Miniature

By **Everett C. Schneider**, Minister
The Evangelical United Brethren
Church
511 Third Street, Porterville

OUT OF THE FOG

It's a question whether the fog or the biting cold is the greater evil. For the truck driver and the motorist the fog undoubtedly is the greater evil, but for the orange grower with a crop to protect, the bitter cold is the greater.

Because many people have made sin and evil a matter of relativity, like the question of the fog, they have excused themselves from responsibility. What the soap manufacturers used to call "tattle-tale grey" is what we call befogging the question of sin and evil.

But while clothing may carry a "tattle-tale grey" without much hurt to the garment or the wearer, yet human beings cannot live with sin without hurt to their souls. The man who lives a double life sooner or later finds his sins catching up with him. The child in school who cheats on a spelling quiz may find that he will always be a poor "speller".

Men in their thinking appear to fool themselves as to the question of the relativity of sin, but actually, in their innermost souls they know that they can't cheat God nor themselves. Pin them down and they will have to admit that "As a man thinketh in his heart so is he," and "The wages of sin

is death."

Let us in the words of Josiah G. Holland pray, "God give us men . . . tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog."

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LEGAL NOTICE

SUMMONS No. 46654

In the Superior Court of the County of Tulare, State of California

FLORENCE ADELINE HERBERT Plaintiff
vs.
JOHN WILLIAM HERBERT Defendant

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA SEND GREETINGS TO: JOHN WILLIAM HERBERT Defendant

YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO APPEAR and answer the Complaint in the action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of said County of Tulare, State of California, within ten days after the service on you of this Summons, if served within this County, or within thirty days, if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said Plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the Complaint, as arising upon contract, or Plaintiff will apply to Court for any other relief demanded in the Complaint.

Given under my hand and seal of the Superior Court of the said Tulare County, State of California, this 10th day of November, 1954.

(COURT SEAL)
CLAUDE H. GRANT, Clerk
TROY OWEN, Deputy
BURFORD, HUBLER & BURFORD
520 East Mill, Porterville, California.
Attorneys for Plaintiff.
n18,25,d2,9,16,23,30,j6,13

NOTICE TO CREDITORS No. 12657

In the Superior Court of the State of California, In and For the County of Tulare

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELIZABETH PEIN, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Executor of the Last Will and Testament of said deceased to the creditors of and all persons having claims against said deceased or against her estate, to file them with the necessary vouchers within six months after the first publication of this notice, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, at his office at the Hall of Justice in the City of Visalia, County of Tulare, State of California, or to file such claims, together with the necessary vouchers, within six months after the first publication of this notice with the said Executor at the office of Burford, Hubler & Burford, 520 East Mill Street, in the City of Porterville, County of Tulare, State of California, which said last named office the undersigned selects as his place of business in all matters connected with the estate of said deceased.

JOHN LESTER PEIN
Executor of the Last Will and Testament of said Deceased.
BURFORD, HUBLER & BURFORD
Attorneys for Executor
520 E. Mill Street
Porterville, California.
Date of First Publication: December 23, 1954. d23,30,j6,13,20

MEETING NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS
ALTA VISTA WATER COMPANY
Annual Meeting of the stockholders of the Alta Vista Water Company will be held at the office of the Secretary, at Route 3, Box 988, Porterville, California, on January 18, 1955, at 7:00 o'clock P.M.
ALTA VISTA WATER COMPANY
By: C. H. Weed, Secretary j6.13

BEFORE THE GOVERNING BOARD of the PORTERVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF TULARE
RESOLUTION No. 66

IN THE MATTER OF DECLARATION OF INTENTION TO LEASE CERTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

(1) The Governing Board hereby determines to lease certain acreage on the terms and conditions herein mentioned, to the highest bidder, under the provisions of Education Code Sections 18604-18614, said property being generally described as:

Twelve (12) acres of land, more or less, located on the new Vandalia School site in the Jay Brown property, lying between Highway 65 and Plano Road.

(2) Said Board will meet and consider bids to lease said property on February 2, 1955, at 8:00 o'clock P.M., at the Board Room at 710 North Kessling, Porterville.

(3) Sealed bids, in writing, must be filed prior to said time with the District Superintendent at 710 North Kessling, Porterville.

(4) No bid will be considered in an amount less than Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars per acre for the year ending January 31, 1956.

(5) After the sealed bids have been opened and read, the Board shall call for oral bids, which may be made by any responsible person present, and which shall exceed by not less than five per cent (5%) the amount of the highest sealed bid.

(6) The Governing Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or waive any irregularity thereof.

(7) The sale shall be subject to additional conditions contained in another resolution adopted this date, which also contains a detailed description of said property, and which resolution is incorporated herein by reference. Copies of said resolution shall be furnished to all interested persons by the Clerk on request, and each bidder is expected to familiarize himself with the contents thereof before submitting his bid.

Dated January 5, 1955.
GOVERNING BOARD OF THE PORTERVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
s/ GARDNER WHEELER
s/ S. H. McLEMORE
s/ L. J. HAMILTON j13,20,27

Farm Tribune Ads Get Results.

Use of Money

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shows that on permanent class room projects, contract called for \$283,631.78; fees, tests, architect cost and building inspection ran \$30,679.94.

Physical education and athletic plant included \$256,069 for a new gymnasium; \$133,031 for shower and locker rooms; \$48,000 for classrooms and \$11,821.86 for a sewage pumping plant, plus \$44,939.68 for the various fees.

Cost for construction of temporary classrooms, made necessary by demolition of the old school building, ran \$166,129, plus \$13,762 for coolers and \$11,493.74 for fees. In connection with this construction, \$100,000 was used that had been set up in the 1950 bond issue for renovation of the old main building.

In addition to the \$647.96 of bond money spent for demolition of the old building, the district also spent \$13,000 from district funds, of which \$2,000 was returned to the district as a contractor's penalty when job completion ran beyond the contract date.

In moving Porterville college to the new site south of town, where building construction is now underway, \$24,870 from bond money was spent for land, representing about half the cost; balance came from capital outlay funds of the school district.

Bond money totalling \$38,902.90 was spent for the new college stadium, plus \$18,521.10 from school district funds raised by a five cent "civic center" tax. Stadium lighting cost \$25,610 and committed for construction now underway was \$329,900 of bond money. The ever-present fees will run \$36,885.86 at the new college site.

Deviation from the announced plan of the school district prior to the 1950 bond vote occurred in the agricultural department, where classrooms were built rather than an agricultural shop; housing for transportation equipment was dropped, also plan to construct a music classroom and a primary metering system for electrical power, and development of a school farm.

Reason for changing the plan in the agricultural department developed when it was decided that the department should eventually be moved to west side of the campus; lack of funds resulted in the dropping of the other projects; when the old building was demolished, that naturally killed the plan to spend \$100,000 for renovation of this building.

Stadium construction, originally set up in high school expansion plans, was shifted to the college; other planned construction on the new college site is being held up because funds are not now available.

Again, in general terms, the 1950 bond issue assumed expenditures of \$865,000 on the present high school campus and \$555,000 on the new college site. As expenditures have actually worked out, \$808,173.26 has been spent for the high school; \$456,168.76 for the college and \$192,032 for temporary buildings and demolition.

Consequently, original proportion between high school and college spending has been maintained, with exception of emergency expenditures.

Why didn't the 1950 bond money go as far as expected?

School officials point out that two factors were responsible — the Korean war, that broke only a few days after the bond election

New Color

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It is impossible to describe just what the change would be. A grower can determine the increased color that would be necessary by comparing official color plates, showing present accepted standard and the proposed new standard, that are available at most packing houses.

Sunkist Growers officials have been studying the proposed change for about five years; directors of the Tulare County Fruit Growers Exchange and the Central California Exchange have approved the proposed legislation; Mutual Orange Distributors and American National Foods have referred the matter to their shippers.

If passed, the law would increase color requirements for navel oranges; it would probably be a factor for about the first two weeks of the normal Central California Navel orange season.

WILDLIFE NUMBERS APPEAR THE SAME

Numbers of ducks, geese and cots in California appears to be about the same this year as last year, according to the state department of fish and game.

and that started building costs on the upgrade, and the earthquake that brought unexpected emergency spending.

Also, money for state filing, architect fees, cost of tests and cost of building inspectors was not provided for in the bond issue. It is stated that in the proposed new bond issue provision is made for these items.

(Next week — Why was the old school building torn down — another article in a series dealing with matters relating to the proposed \$1,794,000 bond issue that will be voted on February 8.)

Cattlemen

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a rating on the basis of conformation; soundness and range usefulness are also emphasized in all consignments.

Other San Joaquin Valley consignors include: California Short-horn Farms, Madera; W. S. Orvis, Farmington; A. H. Karpe, Bakersfield; W. V. Peterson, Clovis; Henry Codoni, Empire; Galli Hereford ranch; Tracy; W. V. Peterson, Fresno; George Emde, Lodi; Chapman Bros, Le Grande, and Fresno State College, Fresno. Last year, sale total was \$172,000.

F. R. Wilcox

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recognized national authority on cooperative marketing. At present he is serving as a special consultant to Ezra Taft Benson, secretary of agriculture; he is a director on the board for the Central Bank for Cooperatives; he is chairman of the National Citrus Fruit Advisory committee and a member of the regional Labor-Management committee.

Mr. Wilcox is a graduate of Utah Agricultural college and he completed graduate work at the University of California. He is associated with the Giannini Foundation; he has served as manager of the United Prune Growers of California and the National Pecan Marketing association and for two years was a director of the division of marketing and marketing agreements of the AAA.

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Outlook For 1955

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"What Is Agriculture Facing Today?" will be the topic developed by the first morning speaker, John J. McElroy, state director of agricultural programs for the Extension service. Changes in the international situation because of increased production in foreign countries, imports of agricultural products into America, population changes in our country, effect of mechanization — these are some of the questions included in the subject.

"Agricultural Outlook for 1955" will be discussed by George Alcorn, Extension specialist in farm

citrus fruit is Henry Winters, chairman of a Porterville Lions' club committee, consisting also of Al Hilton and Dick Neece.

marketing. Mr. Alcorn has achieved the reputation of being one of the top farm economists in the country. In close touch with the national situation, he is well qualified to describe the outlook prospects for crops and livestock this year. He will stress the influence of the total economic picture and how these factors affect each farmer on his own property.

Farmers and businessmen throughout California have been wondering just what changes in crop and livestock production occurred in 1954 as a result of acreage allotments on cotton. Did these allotments cause a drastic swing into other field crops, or did many cotton farmers go into fruit and livestock production instead? What was the influence on acreage planted to corn, grain and alfalfa for livestock and poultry feed?

T. B. Hedges, Giannini Foundation economist for the University of California, made a detailed survey of these changes last year. Thousands of farmers in the San Joaquin valley cooperated in this survey, indicating adjustments they had made in their farming operations due to cotton allotments. Mr. Hedges will give a summary of these changes, which are vitally important in giving a preview for this year.

Rural women have been intrigued by changes going on in family living in California. What has happened to the modern diet and food preference? What new types of food products are coming on the market for housewives to buy for those new home freezers? Has the increase in homemaking equipment and conveniences changed patterns of rural family living.

These will be some of the questions discussed in the morning session of the conference by Miss Constance Burgess, Extension Service Home Management specialist.

The conference will be interesting and of value to farm women as well as men. Although changes in diets and rural living influence the women first, they are reflected right back on the farm in necessary changes in crop and livestock production.

The farm outlook conference will be held in the Sierra Vista school on West Mineral King avenue. The morning session from 10:00 to 12:00 o'clock will be devoted to presenting the agricultural outlook picture on the national and state-wide basis.

In the afternoon from 1:30 to 4:00 o'clock the conference will be divided into three separate sections, proceeding at the same time, in three different auditoriums in the school. There will be a section on poultry, dairy and livestock.

In each section authorities will discuss specific outlook information for 1955 on the different commodities.

The conference is open to the public. Business men as well as farmers and homemakers are invited to attend.

FISH FOR FEATHERS

By Phil The Forester

The fish and game commission heard proposals for 1955 fishing and hunting regulations at its meeting in Los Angeles last Friday. Those to have the most serious attention will be what the department of fish and game recommended so we summarize some of the more important changes suggested by the department staff.

Trout season and bag limit — opening in southern California April 16, otherwise about the same as last year. Reason — many southern streams dry up early in the year.

Year round fishing for all species including trout — Isabella reservoir, Pine Flat reservoir, Dallas-Warner Reservoir, Melones reservoir, Bass lake and Phoenix lake in addition to those already open. Reason — considered primarily warm water fishing lakes and trout taken are incidental and nothing gained by returning them to the water.

Striped bass — change bag limit to four fish. Reason — present regulation too confusing.

Sturgeon — prohibit trolling.

Reason — too much snagging for the future good of the species.

Green sunfish — remove bag and possession limit. Reason — anglers can not catch sufficient to prevent over population and stunted fish.

Bait — statewide prohibition of carp and goldfish as bait. No fish as bait in Kern River and tributaries from Democrat Dam upstream.

Ocean salmon — prohibit use of any hooks with more than one point while trolling in ocean between Tomales Point (Marin county) and Yankee Point (Monterey county). Reason — prevent damage to undersized salmon. Delete provision allowing retention of one undersized salmon.

These are the major changes recommended to the commission by the department. The commission will act on all recommendations at its meeting in February. In the meantime, anglers unhappy with any of the above should direct letters to Bill Harp, Special Assistant, Fish and Game Commission, 926 J Street, Sacramento, giving reasons.

Big game hunters are reminded that the javelina season (native wild pig) will open in Arizona February 12 and continue until the end of the month. Many valley sportsmen take in this season each year and usually bring back the bacon.



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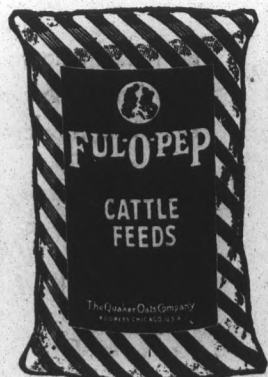
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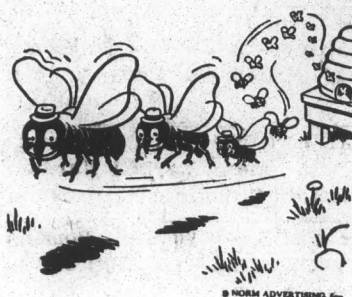
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